

occasional correction of village maps, revision of RS map and settlement documents through consolidation operation etc.

This Ministry however, provides financial assistance supports the programmes taken up by the State/UTs for updation of land records, and computerisation of the same, by providing financial assistance through two Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

This Ministry, however, does not monitor performance programmes of different States as regards to survey and settlement operation, which is a continuous regular feature of the general revenue administration of some States, conducted through concerned State Governments Directorates/ Commissionerate.

Special Package to State Electricity Boards

5154. SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a request has been made by Chambers of Commerce and Industry to the Prime Minister to ask power Ministry to evolve a special package to State Electricity Boards for on going projects languishing for want of funds;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether huge losses suffered by SEBs and non-participation of private sector in power sector has posed threat to country's economic development;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) to (e) Does not arise in view of (a) & (b) .

Non-Conventional Energy Sources Projects

5155. SHRI SUKH RAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether two pilot projects under Non-conventional Energy Resources giving coverage to each household were sanctioned for Sardar Block and Spiti Block of tribal areas of Mandi Parliamentary Constituency in the year 1991-92; and

(b) if so, the funds sanctioned, year-wise, expenditure involved and the number of beneficiaries covered under these projects ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) and (b) No pilot projects under Non-Conventional Energy Sources for coverage of each household were sanctioned for Sadar and Spiti blocks during 1991-92. However a National Pilot Project under Integrated Rural Energy Programme (IREP) was sanctioned for Spiti block during 1994-95. The Government of India had sanctioned Rs. 10.0 lakhs during 1994-95 and Rs. 5.00 lakhs during 1995-96. In addition the State Government provided Rs. 8.0 lakhs during 1995-96. An expenditure of Rs. 16.05 lakhs has been incurred during these two years. 651 beneficiaries were covered during 1994-95 and 958 during 1995-96 under National Project for IREP.

Petrol Pumps

5156. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of petrol pumps directly run by oil companies in Bihar;

(b) the details of profit and loss made by these companies in the operation of these petrol pumps during each of the last three years; and

(c) the efforts made by these companies to provide better service to the consumers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU):

(a) No retail outlet dealership is being operated directly by oil marketing companies in Bihar.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Oil Industry is constantly endeavouring for upgrading customer service at the retail outlets in terms of quantity/quality assurance of products, customer interaction through customer services cell, improvement in basic facilities like free air, water, etc., and infrastructure directly at company outlets and through dealer subsidy incentive programme so as to motivate the dealers to extend better services at retail outlets.

World Bank Aid to Madhya Pradesh

5157. SHRI CHHATAR SINGH DARBAR : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has sent any scheme to eradicate poverty with World Bank aid;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the quantum of assistance sought and the response of World Bank in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) Government of Madhya Pradesh have not sent any scheme to Planning Commission for eradicating poverty with World Bank Aid. However, Government of India and the World Bank have agreed to take up a District Poverty Initiatives Project (DPIP) for assisting district level initiatives for poverty alleviation in selected districts of Madhya Pradesh among districts of other three States.

(b) DPIP is a Project which aims to create conditions for sustainable development through increasing local institutional capacity and strengthening district-level planning. Promoting decentralisation, strengthening community participation and ensuring sustainability are to be the guiding principles of this project. The project has three components: the first one Area Development is to focus all interventions related to land upgradation and proper utilisation of natural resources. The second component is establishing social funds which would allow for swift and efficient response to demands for implementation of small projects at village level. The third component capacity building will aim at improving the skills of relevant personnel and strengthening Government and civil institutions.

(c) The likely credit amount in this Project is about US\$ 500 millions.

[Translation]

Setting up of a Sub-Station

5158. SHRIMATI KAMAL RANI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether construction of 33 K.V.A. sub-station under Naunapur A-Feeder in Sujaur village, Pukhraya Tehsil of Kanpur Dehat in Uttar Pradesh has been stopped; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the measures taken in this regard so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) No, Sir. The construction of the said sub-station at Naunapur had not started and hence the question of its stoppage does not arise.

(b) Does not arise

[English]

Acquisition of Hyderabad House

5159. SHRI K.S. RAYADU : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the amount paid by the Union Government to the Government of Andhra Pradesh as compensation for acquiring Hyderabad House;

(b) whether Union Government have provided any alternative piece of land in Delhi, in lieu of Hyderabad House to the Government of Andhra Pradesh;

(c) if so, the area of the land; and

(d) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has been given possession of that land ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) No monetary compensation has been paid to the Government of Andhra Pradesh in lieu of Hyderabad House.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. A plot of land measuring 7.56 acres has been allotted to the Government of Andhra Pradesh, out of which 6.26 acres has since been handed over to the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Indira Awas Yojana

5160. SHRI P.C. THOMAS :
SHRIMATI M. PARVATI :

Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to involve MPs and other public representatives in the implementation of Rural Development Schemes particularly in Indira Awas Yojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) and (b) The Government is implementing its rural development programmes, particularly Indira Awas Yojana through District Rural Development Agencies/Zilla Parishads. As per the guidelines, all M.Ps, MLAs and MLCs of the district are the members of the Governing Body of DRDA. Two ex-MPs and two ex-MLAs are also members of the Governing Body of DRDA by rotation in alphabetical order for one year each.